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Border Patrol Seizes 366 Pounds of Marijuana

Agents alerted to hidden narcotics by K-9 dog

Temecula, Calif. — U.S. Border Patrol agents seized over 366 pounds of marijuana, valued at more than \$128,000, at the Interstate 15 checkpoint near Temecula last Friday.

Agents discovered the narcotics hidden in a rented Ryder moving truck. The occupants were referred to secondary inspection after agents noticed their nervous behavior. A service K-9 dog alerted agents to the marijuana concealed in nine large cardboard boxes.

Both occupants and the narcotics were turned over to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department for prosecution.

Since January, Border Patrol agents in the San Diego sector have seized over \$1.4 million worth of illegal narcotics.

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